

**The Greene School
BOD Meeting Minutes
W. Alton Jones Campus
West Greenwich, RI
The Spruce Lodge
March 16th, 2011 7 PM**

Call to order: Amy. Meeting began at 7:10 PM

Members present: Amy, Debbie, Laura, Karen, Gregg, Pam, Dawn, Paul, Jen, Christa

Non members: Dee

Reading of the Mission Statement: Debbie

Open Session:

Approval of the 02/16/11 meeting minutes

One correction noted: Ayers Foundation has only applied for the grant as has not heard if they have been awarded it yet. Otherwise motion was made by Paul to approve the minutes, Debbie 2nd, all agreed unanimously

Old Business:

1. Outreach committee report: Dawn
 - Lottery Recap : Lottery went well, 4 initially declined, 17 different districts are represented by our incoming 9th grade class
 - Dee to start up more open houses to try to increase our wait list for 10th and 11th graders.
2. Finance Report: Karen
 - Balance sheet passed around with profit and loss- budget to actual information
 - No material changes from last month
 - On Friday, the draft budget will be made for next year.
3. Discussion of a possible collaboration with Max Hence and the Ayers Foundation
 - Win-win and we could possibly work together on a grant, not so much as a partnership
 - We have signed on as fiscal agent for his grant if he wins it. We will get 8% for this service
4. Head of School Update: Dee
 - BOR has changed, trying to include political climate and potential changes through the league. Review of charter school process is changing.
 - Our school is accredited because we are a state recognized public school
 - Dee is not certified in administration- program in RI to have a mentor come in and work with her. There is an alternative certification process which requires 20 hours per week of mentorship by a certified administrator. Some charters have helped with this requirement by hiring a certified administrator for part time assistance with administrative duties.
5. Facilities Update: Gregg
 - We have the grant for \$85,000 for the national design competition and most or all of the feasibility study from RIF
 - Next step is to decide information needed from RiDE . Gregg, Amy and Dee to meet
6. Fundraising Report: Amy

- Lattner grant application submitted for \$55,000.00 – looking for curriculum development and support to pay teachers more to work in July to come up with curriculum maps.
- Spring Event: Silent auction in the spring to try to raise \$20,000.00 - \$25,000.00
- Amy has talked to Inskip for a donation of something big to raffle off.
- Greenfield house has contacted us.
- Rob Coulter is going to investigate creating another 501c3, Karen is going to help.

New Business:

1. Retention of legal counsel: Amy
 - a. We are moving to not entirely pro-bono . We anticipate some bills. An agreement has been made by Melissa with hourly rates. We will need to know ahead of time which services will be pro-bono and if we will be charged because we can't have any financial surprises.
 - b. Gregg makes a motion that we retain current legal counsel with the agreement that we will be notified prior to any charges that will be incurred. Paul 2nd. All agree unanimously.
2. Arrange booth for the Land and Water Summit on Saturday, March 26th:Amy/Dee
 - a. Westerly Land Trust Gala- April 9th : Display and a recruiting group together (10AM- 3 PM)
 - b. Earth Day- Sunday May 1st , West Greenwich

Amy motions to adjourn, Debbie 2nd. All agree unanimously. Meeting ends at 8:30 PM